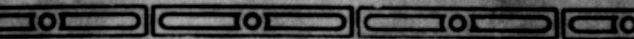





HELD WITH
RIPLEY BAPTIST CHURCH

September 19 and 20, 1917





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MINUTES
OF THE
Fifty-Fifth Annual Session
OF THE
Tippah Baptist Association
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NEXT SESSION.

PLACE—Pleasant Hill (T), eight miles east of Falkner.
TIME—Wednesday after the first Sunday in September, 1918.
PREACHER—Elder G. S. Jenkins.
ALTERNATE—Elder W. B. May.

OFFICERS.

Eld. W. E. Berry, Blue Mountain ----- Moderator
J. W. Crump, Blue Mountain ----- Clerk
A. A. Graham, Blue Mountain ----- Treasurer

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Eld. J. A. Autry, Chairman	Eld. W. T. Lowrey
Eld. W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump
A. A. Graham	J. A. Griffin
A. H. McAlister	G. W. Deen

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

- (1) Call for Petitionary Letters.
- (2) Invite visiting brethren to seats.
- (3) Appoint committees.
- (4) Read Constitution, Abstract of Faith and Rules of Decorum.
- (5) Select place for next meeting of this body and preacher to preach the sermon.
- (6) Appoint correspondents.
- (7) Call for Reports.
- (8) Elect Executive Board.
- (9) Miscellaneous Business.
- (10) Call roll of Delegates and mark absentees.

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PROCEEDINGS

The Tippah Baptist Association met in its Fifty-Fifth Annual Session with the Ripléy Baptist Church on September 9, 1917. Eld. W. E. Farr was selected Moderator pro tem. Sang "Jesus Is All the World to Me." At 11 a. m. the introductory sermon was preached by Eld. J. A. Autry, text Rev. 2:7, theme, "Let the Churches Hear What the Spirit Says." Adjourned to 2 p. m.

EVENING SESSION, 2 P. M.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment, sang "Am I a Soldier of the Cross." Eld. W. E. Berry read a lesson from the 12th chapter of Romans. Prayer was offered by Eld. J. R. Carter. Brethren J. T. Duncan and M. R. Stark were selected as reading clerks. Letters were then read and delegates seated from the following churches: Ashland, Bethlehem, Bluff Springs, Canaan, Curtis Creek, Falkner, Fellowship, Flat Rock, Harmony, Hickory Flat, Lowrey Memorial, Macedonia, Mt. Hebron, Mt. Olive, Mt. Moriah, New Hope, New Prospect, Oakland, Pine Grove, Pleasant Hill (B), Pleasant Hill (T), Providence, Ripley, Shady Grove, Union.

Proceeded to permanent organization. Moved by Eld. W. E. Farr that A. C. Anderson be instructed to cast the vote of this body for the same officers of last session.

Called for petitionary letters. One such letter was presented by Palmer church, and one from Pine Grove (T). These churches were received as members of this body. Invited visiting brethren to seats. Recognized Eld. J. S. Berry from West Judson Association; Eld. B. L. Crawford from Tishomingo Association; N. T. Tull from Central Association; Eld. J. R. Carter from the Orphanage, and Eld. A. L. Spencer from Judson Association.

The Moderator appointed the following committees: On

Education—W. B. May, W. E. Moffitt, J. H. Street.

Enlistment—W. E. Farr, J. P. Byrd, P. S. McMillin.

Orphanage—J. J. Smith, J. W. Shackelford, W. E. McElroy.

Obituaries—J. C. Shankles, M. Gillean, S. L. Orman.

Ministerial Relief—F. L. Carmichael, Gideon Watts, A. L. Collins.

Encampment—W. E. Farr, D. G. Hill, S. W. Pearce.

Woman's Work—R. M. Staten, R. E. Wingo, Leslie Renick.

Temperance—A. C. Anderson, L. G. Cossitt, G. W. Deen.

Home Missions—J. A. Autry, J. H. Gadd, M. R. Stark.

TIPPAH BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

State Missions—W. B. May, J. T. Duncan, S. J. Little.
 Foreign Missions—G. S. Jenkins, J. M. McCall, J. B. Blackwell, Jr.
 Publications—J. F. Ray, P. M. Bowden, R. L. Nance.
 Sunday Schools—H. R. Spight, J. H. Tomlinson, J. R. Doyle.
 Sanitarium—J. A. Autry, L. P. Cossitt, C. Lee Cox.
 Finance—J. P. Byrd, J. T. Duncan, L. E. Renick.

By motion dispensed with reading Constitution, Abstract of Faith and Rules of Decorum.

Eld. G. S. Jenkins was selected as messenger to the S. B. A. with Eld. W. B. May alternate. Moved by A. A. Graham that any member of this body in good standing who shall be present with any other body with which we correspond shall be recognized a messenger from this body.

Selected Eld. G. S. Jenkins as our member of the State Convention Board.

By motion the report on the Orphanage was made official for tonight's session. Adjourned to 7:30 p. m.

7:30 p. m. The Association was called to order by singing "Loyalty to Christ." Prayer was offered led by Eld. B. L. Crawford. Called for report on the Orphanage which was made special for this hour. This report was read by J. J. Smith, discussed by him, Elds. J. R. Carter, J. S. Berry. Pending this discussion took up a collection for the Orphanage amounting to \$16.43, then adopted this report:

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

The Mississippi Baptist Orphanage, (our home for homeless children,) located at Jackson, Miss., has been in successful operation for 20 years. The purpose of the home is to provide food, clothing, shelter and training for the unfortunate orphan children who have neither parents or other relatives to care for them.

We believe orphanage work to be clearly the work of Christ; and our work at Jackson, certainly has had the stamp of His approval as the following statistics will show. We learn from the Trustees' report to the Convention, that since the founding of our institution twenty years ago, about 800 children have been cared for, for a longer or shorter time. The majority of them have been returned to the mother or some relative who got in a position to care for them. Ninety one have been adopted into good christian homes and are having equal chances with other children throughout the country. A goodly number of them, however, have grown up in our home and have passed out to take their place in the world. Sixty have married and have homes and families of their own, not one of whom so far as we know is raising up a family to be dependent and a care for charity. Many of our children have succeeded well and have good prospects for a

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brilliant success in life. Six have taken nurses' training and are succeeding well, eight have taught and so far as we have been able to find out have given satisfaction in their profession. One is railroad conductor, one is manager of the Western Union Telegraph Station at Natchez, Mississippi. Seven have entered the United States Military service and one has crossed the water and is now fighting in the French army. Six have taken business courses and some are now serving in important offices. One is studying for the ministry and one has volunteered for Foreign Field service.

Through the kindness and liberality of interested friends, 24 have had the opportunity of college training and six are now in college. One of our boys holds a diploma from the Mississippi A. & M. College, and also from the University of Ohio. One of our boys is in business in New Orleans, and is maintaining his sister, in the Mississippi Woman's College. Four of our boys are working their way through school, one of them having sent his sister to Blue Mountain for four years. Many others are working on farms, at mills, in machine shops, and other callings and making a comfortable living for themselves. Some we have lost sight of entirely but when last heard of were on the right line and gave promise of developing into useful men and women.

We commend our Orphanage to the cordial support of all our people and would recommend that the Sunday Schools of our Association adopt the plan of giving monthly to the Orphanage and that all our churches take a special thank offering during the month of November. In additions to the money contributions, let our churches, Sunday Schools and W. M. U's. send supplies of food, clothing, taking advantage, whenever possible, of the free cars that run during the latter part of November, and early part of December, which carry all donations free of charge to the Orphanage. Send corn, peas, canned goods, cured meats, sugar, rice, oatmeal, molasses, lard, and all kinds of clothing (good second hand clothing acceptable) sheets, pillow cases, shoes, soap, towels, pins, needles, pencils, tablets, elastic, buttons, etc. Anything that can be used in the support of the ordinary family can be used at the Orphanage.

Let us not forget in our prayers to remember our little ones and those who care for them.

The report on the Encampment was read by Eld. W. E. Farr and adopted.

REPORT ON ENCAMPMENT.

We, your committee, report that a truly great work is being done in our Encampments every year. During the month of July the South Mississippi Encampment meets at Hattiesburg and the other at Blue Mountain, which is known as the North Mississippi Encampment. At

these great meetings much good is being done. We, your committee, urge that more of our members attend the North Mississippi Encampment at Blue Mountain. Thereby we will be better trained as members in our churches and therefore we will love His blessed Kingdom more.

W. E. FARR,
D. G. HILL,
S. W. PEARCE,

Committee

Enlistment report was also read by him. These two reports were then spoken to by himself, N. T. Tull, Eld. J. R. Carter. Pending this discussion adjournment to 9 a. m. tomorrow. Prayer was led by Eld. W. E. Farr.

SECOND DAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1917.

Morning Session 9 a. m. The Association met pursuant to adjournment being called together by singing "How Firm a Foundation." Devotions led by Eld. A. L. Spencer who read 34th chapter of Psalms. Prayers led by Eld. J. S. Berry.

Minutes of yesterday were read and adopted. B. G. Lowrey was recognized a visitor from the State at large. Resumed discussion of the report on Enlistment by N. T. Tull, after which this report was adopted.

REPORT ON ENLISTMENT.

Your committee would report that much is being done along the lines of Enlistment, through the Laymen's Movement. We have one of the liveliest men in all the South as general secretary in the person of Mr. J. T. Henderson with headquarters at Chattanooga, Tenn. Just for the asking we can get all the literature on this subject from our own Secretary, Rev. J. B. Lawrence, at Jackson, Miss. Our own Mr. N. T. Tull is head of this department in this State.

If we are to ever do much as laymen we must be informed on this great work. Our churches will come unto their own when the laymen are really enlisted in every part of our church life.

To keep up with the great work means we must take our own State paper, The Baptist Record, and The Home and Foreign Mission Fields. These cost only fifty cents per year.

We should urge our laymen to do this. This is needed that we may stem the tide of commercialism and deepen our own spiritual life, that we may have enlarged vision of Christian obligations that we may be able to prove our selves faithful stewards of the manifold grace

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W. E. FARR,

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Committee.

The Report on State Missions was read by Eld. W. B. May; the report on Foreign Missions was read by Eld. G. S. Jenkins; that on Home Missions by Eld. J. A. Autry. These three reports were then discussed jointly by Eld. J. B. Lawrence. Pending this discussion adjournment to 1:30 p. m. Prayer led by Eld. J. A. Autry.

EVENING SESSION, 1:30 P. M.

Met pursuant to adjournment. Prayers were offered led by Eld. J. H. Gadd. Letter read and delegates seated from Academy. Called up and adopted the reports of State, Home and Foreign Missions.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

With an inadequate base towns may fall and armies be put to flight. So Mission enterprises without a sure foundation may fall.

Our Lord recognized bounds in His work when He said: "Ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." As touching our relation to the great command of our Lord, State Missions is Jerusalem work, and stands as the base of operations.

State Missions is the channel through which the church of the State co-operate in preaching the gospel to the people of the State and instructing those who have accepted Christ in that gospel so that they may become obedient to it.

There are 170,000 white Baptists and 285,000 colored Baptists, making a total of 455,000 Baptists in the State.

We are assisting 210 churches to pay their pastors; helping to build 32 church houses; maintaining a system of theological and training schools; keeping five general men; two associational missionaries, and two women in the field, helping the negroes in their work and doing mission work among the Indians.

We spent \$38,473.68 last year in State Mission work. We are asked for \$41,000 this year to foster the work through its different branches. Every church ought to give something to this work: 1st—Because it is the base of Mission work; 2nd—It is a means of growth; 3rd—Our Lord commanded it.

The demand for men means an efficiency in the work of State Missions are great. Of the approximately two and one-fourth million people in our State, only about nine hundred thousand are church

members. Of this number more than four hundred and fifty thousand are Baptists, Baptists having the greater numbers, and the whole of God's truth for dissemination, and their responsibilities doubly great.

Let every church, pastor and member get busy in the field of State Missions is the prayer of your committee.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. MAY, Chairman,

J. DUNCAN,

Committee.

HOME MISSION REPORT.

Our Home Mission Board reports yearly more converts and baptisms through the work of its missionaries than have ever been reported by any other Home Mission Board in America, though some of them spent more money than our board does.

In connection with co-operative agencies 37,724 baptisms were reported last year, 22,945 being creditable directly to Home Mission work. Total receipts for all objects for last year amounted to \$474,792. The administrative costs amounted to only \$22,638, or only 4.7 per cent.

Our board not only seeks to extend the borders of the Kingdom, but it turns back to the sources of its supply, which one among 3,000,000 Baptists and aids there in nurturing and instructing.

The world war has brought us to a crisis where new and heavier burdens must be met and borne by the Baptists of the South. Realizing this the Southern Baptist Convention at New Orleans instructed the Board to pursue its work on the basis of an apportionment of \$505,193. Following these instructions the Board at its annual meeting planned the year's work on that basis. A less amount than half a million dollars would not meet the abounding needs.

In Evangelism and Church Building and Enlistment, in Cuba and Panama and the Southern Highlands, among Foreigners and negroes and Indians, through co-operative missions in such needy States as New Mexico, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Florida, in cities and towns and country side, our board has a great work and the pressing needs which grow out of the war are in addition.

We recommend, 1st—That prayer be made for the Board, and that pastors preach Home Missions. 2nd—That our Association approve the 25 per cent increase and accept whatever apportionment our Executive Board may fix. 3rd—That we apportion this amount among our churches and publish same in our minutes. 4th—That each

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Respectfully submitted,

J. A. AUTRY,
M. R. STARK,
J. H. GADD,

Committee.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The number of churches on our field of Foreign Missions is 458, with a membership 47,161. The native contributions during 1916 were \$132,371. There were 6,347 baptisms. We have 307 foreign missionaries and 809 native workers who conducted 474 schools, all grades, which had an enrollment of 12,930 students. Our 15 medical missionaries treated 67,556 patients.

Total receipts of the Board, including amount paid on the debt, the board has received during the year for its general work \$751,356.57 and including the work of the Judson Centennial, a total of \$964,186.96.

Last year a substantial saving in expenses over the previous year was reported. The saving in expenses this year over last year was \$9,940.94. Upon the basis of this year's distribution of money 90 per cent of every dollar given to Foreign Missions actually reached the foreign field and 9 1-10 cents were required to meet all home expenditures.

Workers—We need now in the field 147 men and women.

We need a good deal more money to meet the needs of the foreign field. At present we are spending \$25 for Christian work among thirty-six million people where Christianity is strongest, to \$1.00 we are putting into a work among a thousand million people on the foreign field who represent inexpressible and incomparable need. Is this the best way to use our money?

What can we do to help meet the needs of this foreign mission work? Let the pastors read the Home and Foreign Field, and the Baptist Record and get their people to read these and let our pastors carefully and prayerfully teach the people what the Bible says about giving and then get the people to pray and pray according to God's plan and then we will grow in our home life and work and meet the needs of our foreign mission work.

Signed by the committee,

G. S. JENKINS,
J. M. McCALL,
J. B. BLACKWELL, JR.

Authorized the Executive Board to fix the apportionment for missions to the different churches.

Call for report on Obituaries which was read by J. C. Shankles, spoken to by A. A. Graham and adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

We, your committee on obituaries, beg leave to report the list of our dead during the past year as follows:

L. D. Gibson, Walter Gibson, Harris Sanders, Mary Jernigan, J. M. Cossitt, Dr. E. S. Ellzey, Dr. A. McWilliams, Henry Thompson, Lillie Bush, Rosa Jackson, Flora Holland, Bessie Campbell, Mennie Voyles, M. F. Crawford, C. M. Butler, M. C. Selph, J. F. Gatlin, Ollie Jordan, Beth Simpson, Annie Johnson, N. A. Whisnant, Ann Malone, D. C. Horton, F. L. Smallwood, Lula Crouch, W. F. Sanders, Martha Jordan, M. L. Lowrey, John Cox.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. SHANKLES,
M. GILLEAN,
S. D. NORMAN,

Committee.

Report on Sanitarium was read by C. Lee Cox, spoken to by Elds. W. G. Thompson, G. S. Jenkins, J. A. Autry and adopted.

REPORT ON SANITARIUM.

For many years Protestant denominations sadly neglected Hospital work allowing Catholic people to gain an advantage in this, one of the greatest agencies in the world for reaching and healing both disease of the body and mind and soul. The trained physician who knows Christ in the forgiveness of his sin, can often reach and save souls that we as preachers and laymen can hardly reach.

Of late years we Baptists have realized our need of institutions of this nature and though inadequate to meet the demand yet we have one hospital in this state, located at Jackson, that is doing a great work in healing the sick. Recently there have been gifts that we much needed among which we note one of \$10,000.00 by Dr. Powers of Jackson, to endow a ward for the treatment of children. This gift has been invested by one of the banks of Jackson, Miss., and the interest is being paid to the hospital monthly.

Another institution of which we are justly proud as Baptists, is the Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, Tenn. As you all know this was erected by the Baptists of Mississippi, Tennessee and Arkansas, and it requires a visit personally to appreciate the great work this hospital is doing. Patients of all denominations and of no denomination, are here treated and if possible restored to their friends and loved ones, healed and sound of body and we rightly think in

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supporting these two institutions we are only carrying out the instructions and commands of our Savior who in sending forth the seventy told them to "Heal the Sick."

In all our hospitals much charitable work is being done, every effort made to reduce the cost of treatment of each patient and at the same time bring the institution up to be self-sustaining yet this has not been possible and the management must depend upon we laymen who feel the need of such work, to support them.

All who have made pledges to these hospitals should if possible pay, and those who have made no pledge should contribute to the support of same. While the calls are many and perhaps we think, burdensome, let us not forget our Lord who came into this diseased world of sin and healed body, mind and soul of men, for our sakes, became poor that we through His poverty might become Rich. We commend these hospitals to your care.

One of the most important works that is being done at both the Jackson and Memphis hospitals is the training of refined and consecrated women in nursing and caring for the sick. Never in the history of the world has there been greater need for the trained nurse. Many, many times is the fate of the patient dependent upon the one who is constantly at his bedside to administer to his need and who cannot remember the comfort brought to him when tossing upon a bed of pain, by the gentle touch of mother or nurse upon his brow.

Relying upon your love for suffering humanity and for our blessed Lord and earnestly urging your support for the carrying on of this important work and praying God's blessings upon you as you bless others, the above is,

Respectfully submitted,

L. G. COSSITT,

J. A. AUTRY,

LEE COX,

Committee.

The report on Woman's Work was read by R. M. Staten, spoken to by him and adopted.

REPORT ON WOMENS' WORK.

A few of our representative women of our Southland met in Richmond, Virginia, in May, 1888, and organized what is known as the Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention. The beginning was small but has steadily increased in proportion and efficiency. Almost a generation has passed since the organization of this most helpful agency, and their work has gone forward with uninterrupted success. They have taught the value of organization; they have shown as our men have not done the value of combined effort; they have shown also, the power of small gifts. The W. M. U. does not only help in raising a great deal of money

for our work, but these women are a great help in the spiritual life of Southern womanhood. They are not only directing the Missionary efforts of their own members, but in a most powerful way are influencing the religious education and activities of our young women, men and boys. Our pastors and laymen ought to do what they can to help these good women organize and do their work as the Lord wants them to do.

"She hath done what she could," was said of one woman by our Lord.

Perhaps this ought not to be said of all our good women but we ought to be profoundly thankful for the work our good women have done.

LESLIE RENICK,

R. E. WINGO,

R. M. STATEN,

Committee.

The report on Temperance was read by A. C. Anderson. After discussion by himself, Elds. G. S. Jenkins, J. A. Autry, A. A. Graham, M. R. Stark and adopted.

TEMPERANCE REPORT.

Your committee is rejoiced to report that substantial progress has been made in the matter of temperance. The progress is noticeable in the sentiment and habits of the people as well as in the matter of legislation. Public sentiment no longer tolerates habitual drunkenness in public places. The man who drinks to excess is frowned upon by the community, distrusted by the business world, discredited by society and barred from political preferment. This same public sentiment is beginning to demand a rigid enforcement of the law.

Public sentiment has favored, demanded and secured stringent legislation against the sale of liquor in many states and cities of this country. So widespread has been this legal movement against the saloon that one may now work his way from the Atlantic ocean across the American continent to the Pacific ocean all the way through dry territory and likewise one may start at the Gulf of Mexico and go into the Dominion of Canada without touching a state that permits the sale of whiskey. This state legislation has been made very effective by a national law which went into effect on the first of July and which makes it unlawful to ship whiskey into a state which does not permit the sale of whiskey under state law. This national law gives to the states the protection we have long needed, desired and prayed for. And this enactment by the congress is not a war measure, hence is apt to be a permanent law. Under the more recent law, known as the Food Control Act, which was enacted as a war measure, the man-

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ufacture of whiskey will be prevented during the remainder of the present war. While this course is taken, primarily, as a matter of food conservation, to save from the distillers the seven billion pounds of food material used yearly for making of liquor yet we have hope that many states yet in the wet column will see the great advantage of prohibition and make it permanent in their states after the close of the war.

While great progress has been made yet the temperance workers have attained just enough advantage to be able to make a vigorous fight against the liquor traffic and there is yet great work to be done, even in our own Association, in our state, in our own nation and in the uttermost parts of the earth there is work to be done. While we have many more total abstainers and many more dry states than ever before yet it is a strange fact that the figures given out by the government shows that in 1900 the production in the United States of fermented liquor was 38,664,584 barrels and in 1916 the production was 58,633,624 barrels, an increase in 16 years of 51.6 per cent. It is estimated that our liquor bill has reached a total of about \$1,500,000,000 a year, or about \$75 per family, or \$15 per capita for every man, woman and child in the United States. It is claimed by the advocates of whiskey that a half billion dollars a year is paid to the government in revenue but Congressman Randall of California discussing this matter in congress recently produced figures to show that what the government gets in revenue from the liquor interest is like buying nickles at 37 cents a piece.

The liquor interest must be fed on human lives and human souls or the liquor interest must die. Therefore, we feel that we should use every possible effort to make the world safe for temperance by teaching its principles and virtues at the fireside, in the home and in the church, instill into the young lives of our children the habits of temperance until they shall make it a rule for life to shun the very appearance of evil.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. ANDERSON,

GEO. W. DEEN,

Committee.

The report on Publications was read by J. F. Ray, spoken to by J. F. Ray, A. C. Anderson, Elds. J. S. Berry, W. E. Berry and adopted.

REPORT ON PUBLICATION.

The printed page is one of the greatest agencies of civilization in the world today and is a very important factor in the religious world. Woe to that denomination which fails to use the press, to instruct, to inspire and enlist its constituency in the forward movements of the

age. We are glad that the Baptists have a number of publications that are worthy of the commendation of this Association, viz:

The Home and Foreign Field—This magazine is being made better each month and deserves the support of each and every Baptist in the South.

Concerning the various publications of the Sunday School Board we can only speak words of praise. We feel that we are very fortunate in having the valuable helps that come to us so cheap.

Among the publications in our own state that deserve favorable mention in this report is the Baptist Record which stood loyally by every denominational enterprise and deserves much credit for the success of Mississippi Baptists.

Respectfully submitted by the committee,

J. FINCH RAY,

P. M. BOWDEN,

R. L. NANCE,

Committee.

The report on Education was read by Eld. W. B. May, discussed by him and adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Now, as never before, our people are waking up to the need of universal education. Years ago it was a problem to get people to see the need of educating the youth of our land, but now our main problem is to provide the means and place it in reach of all.

We, as a Baptist people, ought to believe in an education. The Baptist idea of freedom of conscience and of judgment requires intelligence and to be intelligent one must attend school.

Baptists ought to have schools of their own, and then patronize them.

We have a number of good schools within our own county and State. Prof. J. E. Brown's male academy for boys and our County Agricultural School for boys and girls. Both of these schools are managed by good baptist brethren. Then Blue Mountain Female College, which has been doing such great work in educating girls for life and is still growing in usefulness, is under the management of Baptist people. Hillman College at Clinton and Mississippi Woman's College at Hattiesburg, are also doing a great work for the young ladies of the State. Mississippi College at Clinton has been and is training a great number of young men for life.

Let us be careful not to let an opportunity pass to push this all-important work.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. MAY, Chairman.

J. H. STREET,

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The report on Ministerial Relief was read by Eld. L. F. Carmichiel, spoken to by himself, Elds. J. A. Autry, J. S. Berry, W. E. Berry, and adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

We, your committee on Ministerial Relief, beg to make the following report: As far as can be ascertained at this time we have none in our Association and have not had any since Brother Vandiver passed over the river, but would ask the churches to respond to the call as other Associations have in their bounds some of those most worthy objects to care for. Let us study to show ourselves approved of God's workmen and not be ashamed in doing God's will in administering to helpless servants of the most High.

L. F. CARMICHEL and Others.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Autry, J. A.	Route 3, Hickory Flat, Miss.
Barnes, W. C.	Hickory Flat, Miss.
Berry, W. E.	Blue Mountain, Miss.
Carmichiel, L. F.	Ripley, Miss.
Caviness, P. W.	Falkner, Miss.
Cox, J. T.	Hickory Flat, Miss.
Davis, H. L.	Route 3, Ripley, Miss.
Degarmo, J. D.	Blue Mountain, Miss.
Eubanks, E. J.	Route 2, Walnut, Miss.
Gillelan, M.	Ashland, Miss.
Houston, W. E.	Route 3, Ashland, Miss.
Jones, W. M.	Blue Mountain, Miss.
Lowrey, W. T.	Blue Mountain, Miss.
Marti, T. T.	Blue Mountain, Miss.
May, W. B.	Blue Mountain, Miss.
Thompson, W. G.	Blue Mountain, Miss.
West, D. C.	Route 2, Ashland, Miss.
Whitten, H. L.	Route 2, Ashland, Miss.
Whittle, W. A.	Blue Mountain, Miss.
J. H. Gadd	Blue Mountain, Miss., Rt. 2.
Norriess Palmer	Blue Mountain, Miss.

The Treasurer read his report which was adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Churches	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State Missions	Association Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Relief	Seminary
Balance last year	\$ 12.35	\$ 9.95	\$ 68.01	\$ 43.25	\$ 29.24	\$ 2.15	\$
Academy	53.00	31.25	78.00		11.25	4.50	
Bluff S. S.					6.08		
Ashland	27.50	27.50	10.00		10.75		
Bethlehem	2.75	2.75					
Beulah	28.25	19.70	9.35				
Bluff Springs		5.00	2.85				
Canaan							
Curtis Creek	2.50		2.50				
Dumas	5.00	4.72					
Falkner			19.26				
Fellowship		1.50					
Flat Rock							
Harmony	2.00		10.00		1.50		
Hickory Flat	6.50	6.50	6.50				
Lebanon							
Lowrey Memorial	246.14	164.83	101.27		99.79	25.12	50.54
" " W. M. U.	147.31	87.35	77.10		1.50		
" " G. W. A.	10.00	16.31	6.35				
" " S. S.		2.00			42.28		
" " Sunbeams	3.66		2.50				
Macedonia	37.75	32.00	42.02		8.50	7.75	
Mt. Hebron			8.85				
Mt. Olive	2.50	2.50	2.50				
Mt. Moriah			11.59		8.00		
New Hope	6.70	6.70					
New Prospect	2.25	2.25					
Pine Grove	13.00	13.00	5.50				
Pleasant Hill (B)	8.10	4.00	4.00		4.30		
Pleasant Hill (T)							
Providence	80.95	55.63	63.55		340.55		
Providence S. S.	2.00						
Ripley							
Shady Grove	19.50	18.50	22.42		5.01		
Union			100.00				
Union Hill							
Pine Grove (T)	2.50	5.00	2.50		3.45		
Tiplersville							
Oakland			1.50			39.52	
Hunter's Chapel							
Total	\$722.21	\$518.94	\$658.12	\$ 43.25	\$235.05	\$ 39.52	\$ 50.54
Paid out	\$706.46	\$496.19	\$497.91	\$ 43.25	\$222.76	\$ 39.52	\$ 50.54
Balance	\$ 15.75	\$ 22.75	\$160.21		\$ 12.29		

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The report on Sunday Schools was read by Eld. G. S. Jenkins. After discussion by himself, A. A. Graham, J. W. Crump, J. J. Smith, Elds. J. A. Autry, W. G. Thompson, this report was adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We find that the Sunday Schools throughout the bounds of our Association are in good condition, and are doing a great work, but it is a lamentable fact that there are so few Sunday Schools in our Baptist churches. At the last meeting of our Association, out of thirty-two churches only thirteen reported Sunday Schools. This is not at all as it should be. Realizing as we do the importance of the Sunday School work and that a very large per cent of the new converts who come into our churches, come from the Sunday School, we feel that we cannot urge too strongly the need of building up this branch of the work in our Master's Kingdom and we earnestly request and recommend that our Pastors and laymen in the churches which have no Sunday Schools, present this matter to their churches and endeavor to organize a Sunday School in every church in our Association.

We find that owing to the peculiar conditions existing this year that it has not been practicable to hold the annual session of the Associational Sunday School Convention but we suggest that if possible that District Sunday School meetings, as were planned at our Sunday School meeting in 1916, be held throughout the associational bounds in the near future. This, in our opinion, will stimulate the interest in Sunday School work and will be helpful to the church or community where held. We also recommend that those Sunday Schools which have not already adopted the plan, set aside one Sunday in each month as Orphanage Day and let their offering for that day go to the Orphanage. This will be helpful to the Orphanage and to the school which gives it.

Brethren, let's all take more interest in and do more work for the Sunday Schools, and we will certainly see our churches grow and do a much greater work for our Master.

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. SPIGHT,

J. A. TOMLINSON,

J. R. DOYLE,

Committee.

The report on Finance was read by J. P. Byrd and adopted.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

We, your committee on Finance, make the following report:

Beulah	1.25
New Hope	1.00

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Palmer	1.00
New Prospect	.70
Blue Mountain	10.00
Flat Rock	1.75
Curtis Creek	.10
Canaan	.75
Pine Grove (Benton)	1.90
Bethlehem	1.00
Bluff Springs	1.00
Academy	3.00
Ashland	2.00
Mt. Olive	.40
Pleasant Hill (Benton)	1.00
Oakland	.50
Providence	2.00
Falkner	1.10
Macedonia	2.45
Harmony	.65
Hickory Flat	1.50
Mt. Moriah	2.00
Pine Grove (Tippah)	1.00
Union	2.00
Pleasant Hill (Tippah)	1.00
Fellowship	.80
Shady Grove	1.50
Mt. Hebron	1.10
Ripley	2.50
Dumas	1.25
TOTAL	\$48.20

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. BYRD,
J. T. DUNCAN,
L. E. RENICK,

Committee.

Selected the place for the next meeting of this body, and preacher to preach the introductory sermon. Resulted as follows: Place: Pleasant Hill (T); preacher: Eld. G. S. Jenkins, with Eld. W. B. May, alternate.

Re-elected old Executive Board by acclamation.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Eld. G. S. Jenkins was chosen as vice president of Foreign Missions in this Association; Eld. J. A. Autry of Home, and Eld. W. T. Lowrey of State Missions.

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The following resolutions were unanimously adopted: Resolved, 1st.—That the hearty thanks of Tippah Baptist Association are hereby extended to the Ripley Church and the people of the community for the splendid manner in which the Association has been entertained.

May the blessings of our Heavenly Father be bountifully bestowed upon this church and community.

2nd.—We extend to our able and impartial Moderator, Eld. W. E. Berry, our sincere thanks for his splendid services in presiding over the Association. Also to Brother J. W. Crump, our excellent clerk, for his efficient services in keeping the record; and Brother A. A. Graham for keeping our accounts. Our thanks are also extended to Committeemen and others who labored with us to make this meeting of our Association a success.

3rd.—That the clerk be instructed to superintend printing and distribution of the Minutes and to retain \$10 for his services.

Changed time of meeting of this body to Wednesday after the 1st Sunday in September, 1918, at 10 a. m. Joined in singing "Sweet Bye and Bye" and extended to each other the parting hand.

The closing prayer was offered by Eld. J. S. Berry.

W. E. BERRY, Moderator.

J. W. CRUMP, Clerk.

APPORTIONMENT

Churches.	Pastors and Addresses.	Apportionment.
Academy—	W. E. Berry, Blue Mountain	\$ 40.00
Ashland—	J. A. Autry, Hickory Flat	30.00
Bethlehem—	H. L. Whitten, Ashland	5.00
Beulah—	H. L. Whitten, Ashland	25.00
Bluff Springs—	W. B. May, Ashland	8.00
Canaan—	H. L. Whitten, Ashland	10.00
Curtis Creek—	H. L. Whitten, Ashland	10.00
Dumas—	G. S. Jenkins, Ripley	15.00
Falkner—	E. J. Eubanks, Walnut	20.00
Fellowship—	E. J. Eubanks, Walnut	20.00
Flat Rock—	E. J. Eubanks, Walnut	15.00
Harmony—	A. L. Spencer, Walnut	10.00
Hickory Flat—	J. A. Autry, Hickory Flat	20.00
Lebanon—		5.00
Blue Mountain—	W. E. Farr, Blue Mountain	350.00
Macedonia—	W. E. Berry, Blue Mountain	35.00
Mt. Hebron—	E. J. Eubanks, Walnut	10.00
Mt. Olive—	B. L. Crawford, Baldwyn	10.00
Mt. Moriah—	G. S. Jenkins, Ripley	10.00
New Hope—	H. L. Whitten, Ashland	10.00
New Prospect—	H. L. Whitten, Ashland	8.00
Pine Grove—	J. A. Autry, Hickory Flat	15.00
Pleasant Hill (B)—	H. L. Whitten, Ashland	10.00
Pleasant Hill (T)—	E. J. Eubanks, Walnut	10.00
Providence—	G. S. Jenkins, Ripley	75.00
Ripley—	G. S. Jenkins, Ripley	75.00

Shady Grove—J. A. Autry, Hickory Flat	15.00
Oakland—W. B. May, Ashland	10.00
Tiplersville—G. S. Jenkins, Ripley	35.00
Union Hill—L. F. Carmichael, Ripley	10.00
Union—G. S. Jenkins, Ripley	75.00

CONSTITUTION.

Article 1. This Association shall be called the Tippah Baptist Association.

Article 2. It shall be composed of persons who shall be duly elected delegates by the respective churches belonging to this union. The Moderator, Clerk and Executive Board shall be ex-officio members.

Article 3. The delegates representing the different churches shall, at the opening of each Association, present letters specifying their appointment and also showing the number baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excluded, restored and died during the year, with the whole number in fellowship.

Article 4. Every church belonging to this body shall be entitled to three delegates until they number over fifty members, and then one for every fifty over that number.

Article 5. Churches of this union failing to represent themselves for three successive meetings shall be considered dropped by the Association.

Article 6. New churches may be admitted into this body by signifying their wishes by letter and delegates, provided these be orthodox and are willing to walk in fellowship with us.

Article 7. This Association shall have a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen at each annual meeting (by private ballot) so soon as letters from the churches are read and members' names enrolled.

Article 8. This body shall have no power to adopt rules that shall infringe upon the independence and rights of churches, yet it may drop churches as may become disorderly either in doctrine or discipline.

Article 9. This body shall have a fund for its expenses, and churches may send up funds for domestic and foreign missions or for the Bible cause. This Association will take charge of such funds and appropriate them as designated by the churches.

Article 10. If any church shall have a difficulty with another church, we advise them to take steps laid down in the eighteenth chapter of Matthew, and no difficulty between churches shall be entertained by this body unless such steps have been taken.

Article 11. When the churches of this union have gifts which they deem worthy of ordination, we advise them to call on sister churches for two or more ministers to set apart such gifts to the work of the gospel ministry, according to the New Testament, and we advise all

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presbyteries in the ordination of ministers and deacons, and the constitution of churches, to be governed by the abstract of principles of this Association.

Article 12. This Association shall correspond with sister Associations of the same faith and order.

Article 13. The minutes of this body shall be read, corrected and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the session closes. No session shall adjourn, unless in extraordinary cases, until it has finished all its business.

Article 14. The Association shall have an Executive Board, consisting of the Treasurer, Clerk and six other members, who shall be chosen annually.

Article 15. The Constitution may be altered or amended at an annual meeting by a majority of two-thirds of the members present.

ABSTRACT OF FAITH.

1. We believe in only one living and true God—the Father, Son and Holy Ghost—and these three are one.

2. We believe the Bible to be the Word of God, and it is our only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the total depravity of human nature, and that man is dead in trespass and sin.

4. We believe that salvation is the gift of God by grace, through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and that sinners are justified in the sight of God alone by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ, which is with them that believe.

5. We believe in the doctrine of election—that God has from the beginning chosen us to salvation through sanctification of the spirit and belief of the truth.

6. We believe that the Holy Spirit accompanies the Word of God in the salvation of man, in answer of prayers of Christians.

7. We believe in the final preservation of the saints, and that all who truly believe shall be eternally saved.

8. We believe in baptism by emersion alone, and that none but true believers are proper subjects for the ordinance, and that none but regularly baptized and ordained ministers have a right to administer it, and that it is a prerequisite to the Lord's Supper, and that all who come to the Lord's table must come according to the Lord's word.

9. We believe that a gospel church is a band of true believers in Christ, who have been regularly baptized upon a profession of their faith in Him, and that there are but two officers in the church—the elder, or pastor, and deacon.

10. We believe it to be the duty of each church to extend and circulate the Word of God as far as their means will enable them to do so.

11. We believe in the New Testament doctrine of Missions. That the great commission given to the disciples of Christ before his ascension, as recorded in Matthew 28:18-20, is obligatory upon the disciples of every generation; that the chief business of a church in the world is to give the Gospel to the world; that it is the solemn duty and the exalted privilege of the believer to extend the Master's kingdom by prayer, by personal effort and by the giving of money to the propagation of the Gospel throughout the world

12. We believe in the resurrection of the bodies of men, and in the future and general judgment, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked shall be eternal.

RULES OF DECORUM.

1. The Association shall be opened by prayer.
2. The Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the members present by private ballot.
3. The Moderator shall be considered the judge of order, but any member not satisfied with his decision may appeal, provided the appeal be made the same day, but at no subsequent time.
4. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speaking as other members, but shall not vote unless his vote is necessary to decide the question. If he rises to speak he shall call some brother to the chair
5. All questions brought before the Association shall be introduced by motion. When a subject has been taken up and a reasonable time allowed for discussion the Moderator shall call for a vote, and if a call for a division is made it shall be decided by the members rising.
6. Any member desiring to speak shall rise and address the Moderator. Only one member shall be allowed to speak at a time, who shall not be interrupted unless he departs from the subject or make personal reflections.
7. No person shall speak more than once on any subject until all who wish to speak have had an opportunity, nor more than twice upon any subject without permission.
8. All subjects introduced for discussion shall be disposed of before another shall be offered, unless it be laid over by motion, with the consent of mover and Association.
9. The Association shall in all cases be governed by a majority of the members present, except in the reception of churches, when a unanimous vote shall be required. But in no case shall one member or church prevent the reception of a church, without cause shown, which shall be determined by a majority.
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1. The appellation of "Brother" shall be used in addressing each other and only scripture titles in our minutes.

12. Any member violating these rules shall be subject to reproof by the Moderator, but only on the day the breach shall have been made.

13. Amendments or alterations may be made by these rules when a majority may deem it necessary.



CONTRIBUTION OF CHURCHES.

CHURCHES	Church Expenses	Pastor's Salary	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphan- age	S. S. Ex- penses	Ministe- rial Ed. \$	Ministe- rial Relief \$	Other Be- nevolence	Aggregate
Academy	\$ 33.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 40.00	27.50	27.50	\$107.58		\$ 4.50	\$ 4.50	17.65	\$ 314.58
Ashland	62.50	100.00	30.00	2.75	2.75	10.75					275.90
Bethlehem	1.00			19.70	28.30						6.50
Beulah	.50	100.00	9.38	5.00							157.88
Bluff Springs	1.00	75.00	2.85								83.85
Canaan	.75	75.00									75.75
Curtis Creek	.10	50.00	2.50		2.50						55.10
Dumas											226.36
Falkner	56.10	150.00	20.26						21.00		171.80
Fellowship	25.80	125.00									118.04
Flat Rock	18.04	100.00									189.15
Harmony	50.65	125.00	10.00	2.00	7.85	1.50					171.55
Hickory Flat		125.00	7.85	7.85		2.50				20.50	
Hunters Chapel											
Lebanon											
Lowrey Mem'l	1060.43	1500.00	182.22	265.49	422.11	143.57	79.87	50.54	25.12		3729.35
Macedonia	33.00	75.50	42.02	32.00	37.75	21.20		7.75	7.75		256.97
Mt. Hebron	18.10	100.00	8.85								126.95
Mt. Olive	89.45	50.00	2.50	2.50	2.50	3.65	1.35				151.95
Mt. Moriah	2.00		11.71			8.00					21.71
New Hope	1.00	100.00		6.70	6.70						114.40
New Prospect	.70			2.25	2.25						5.20
Oakland	13.80	50.00	1.50			1.50					66.80
Pine Grove (B)	34.45	58.52	5.50	13.00	13.00		2.50				126.97
Pine Grove (T)	11.00	50.00	2.50	5.00	2.50	2.00					73.00
Palmer	1.00										1.00
Plea'nt Hill (B)	1.00	75.00	4.00	4.00	4.00						88.75
Plea'nt Hill (T)	1.00										1.00
Providence	49.48	200.00		56.26	84.29	6.42	13.00				409.45
Ripley	1014.71	625.00	84.37	28.61	28.61	64.67		12.38			1858.35
Shady Grove	32.50	100.00	15.00	16.00	16.00	5.00					184.50
Tiptersville											
Union	2284.47	300.00	100.00	64.67	52.32	18.22		7.28	8.92	80.00	2915.88
Union Hill											
Totals	\$ 4898.28	\$ 4434.02	\$ 583.01	\$ 561.28	\$ 740.93	\$ 396.56	96.72	\$ 82.45	\$ 67.29	\$ 118.15	\$ 11978.69

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STATISTICAL TABLE.

No.	Churches	Delegates	Pastor	Clerk	Clerk's Postoffice	Increase by			Decrease			Total Membership
						Baptism	Letter	Restoration	Letter	Exclusion	Deaths	
1	Academy	C. W. Barkley, W. H. McElroy, Richard Cook	W. E. Berry	C. W. Barkley	Cotton Plant	3	1		4			131
2	Ashland	J. T. Duncan, P. M. Bouden	J. A. Autry	W. T. Renick	Ashland		2		2		2	100
3	Bethlehem	J. P. Rainer, L. P. Stroup	H. L. Whitten	L. P. Stroup	Ashland	6	2	1	3		1	53
4	Beulah	J. W. Shackelford, S. L. Frazier, Lewis & Mrs. Fowler	H. L. Whitten	T. L. Robertson	Myrtle	1		1		4		98
5	Bluff Springs	W. W. Hudspeth, J. H. Jordan	W. B. May	W. F. Webb	Ashland	6			1			103
6	Canaan S	Joe Doyle, Miss Doyle, S. W. Bynum	H. L. Whitten	S. A. Doyle	Canaan					2		68
7	Curtis Creek	J. M. Grisham, Miss Nora Davis	H. L. Whitten	S. N. Dickerson	Ashland		2		1		2	46
8	Dumas	Not represented										*50
9	Falkner S	B. M. Conner, S. O. Welch, J. H. Pearce	E. J. Eubanks	Gideon Watts	Falkner	22	5		3			252
10	Fellowship	W. E. Moffitt, A. L. Harrison, S. J. Little, J. H. Beaty	E. J. Eubanks	A. L. Garrison	Ripley	11	1		3			172
11	Flat Rock S	J. D. Wall, T. H. Hill, L. G. Cossitt	E. J. Eubanks	L. G. Cossitt	Hickory Flat				11		3	139
12	Harmony S	H. S. Gunn, C. C. Mitchell, C. W. Pulliam, A. Eubanks	A. L. Spencer	J. N. Wilbanks	Walnut	28	4		3			179
13	Hickory Flat S	W. C. Barnes, S. M. Fields, J. C. Shankles, J. N. Wilbanks	J. A. Autry	J. B. Bright	Hickory Flat	17	6	1	2	1	2	111
14	Hunter's Chapel	Not represented										*9
15	Lebanon	Not represented										*34
16	Lowrey Memorial S	W. E. Farr, J. M. McCall, J. S. Gillentine										
		Leroy Beaty										
17	Macedonia S	M. A. Reaves, J. J. Wesson	W. E. Farr	D. M. Palmer	Blue Mountain	38	90		71		3	584
18	Mt. Hebron	E. T. Dunn, Burton Dunn, Martin Mohundro, D. Alsup	W. E. Berry	J. J. Wesson	Ripley	24	3		5		1	131
19	Mt. Olive S	G. L. Yancy, M. D. McKennon, J. M. Crawford	E. J. Eubanks	J. V. Keith	Walnut	14	7				2	116
20	Mt. Moriah	M. R. Stark, Wayman Covington, R. L. Yancy	B. L. Crawford	W. L. Scott	Ripley, Rt. 2		2		1		1	88
21	New Hope	S. L. Orman, Hansford Lowrey, J. B. Blackwell, Jr.	G. S. Jenkins	M. R. Stark	Ripley	17	7		6			112
22	New Prospect	L. C. Melton, E. G. Whitehorn	H. L. Whitten	S. L. Orman	Ashland	10			2			96
23	Oakland S	A. S. Warmath, J. C. Woods	H. L. Whitten	E. G. Whitehorn	Saulsbury, Tenn.	22	1		2			109
24	Palmer	J. D. Martin, T. H. Halman	W. B. May	J. D. Campbell	Saulsbury, Tenn.	2	2	1	3			67
25	Pine Grove (B) S	J. W. Crump, J. H. Street, Leslie Renick, J. H. Gadd	Norris Palmer	J. D. Martin	Ripley		11	7				18
26	Pine Grove (T)	W. C. Anderson, John Hatcher, W. E. Wingo	J. A. Autry	J. M. Renick	Hickory Flat	14	1	2	4		4	206
27	Pleasant Hill (B)	W. B. May, J. D. Dickerson, M. L. Moore	B. L. Crawford	J. M. Hatcher	Dumas, Rt. 2	3		1				78
28	Pleasant Hill (T)	G. A. Smith, I. L. Cox, M. F. Duncan	H. L. Whitten	J. W. Walker	Ashland	2	2		2		1	81
29	Providence S	Murry Smith, J. A. Tomlinson, Burkett Hopper	E. J. Eubanks	M. F. Duncan	Ripley				4			66
30	Ripley S	N. W. Johnson, R. L. Nance, C. Lee Cox, H. R. Spight	G. S. Jenkins	Bob Rav	Tiplersville, Rt. 1	24			7		2	153
31	Shady Grove S	R. M. Staten, W. C. Hobson, S. W. Pearce, W. C. Graves	G. S. Jenkins	A. N. Clayton	Ripley	24	6		10	3	1	196
32	Tiplersville	Not represented	J. A. Autry	W. C. Hobson	Ripley, Rt. 4	6			1			150
33	Union S	Lawrence Bobo, J. F. Ray, Joe Arnett, D. Barger	G. S. Jenkins	W. P. Hollis	Walnut	20	7		7			*31
34	Union Hill	Not represented										224
												*45
					Totals	314	162	14	158	10	25	4096

*—Number last reported. S—Churches marked thus have a Sunday School.

HISTORICAL TABLE.

This body was organized at Ripley, Mississippi, on October 27, 1860, with the following churches:
Mt. Comfort, Hopewell, Beulah, Canaan, Macedonia, Pleasant Hill (T), Ripley, Union and Zion Hill.

Year	Place	Moderator	Clerk	Treasurer	Chairman Ex. Committee	Preacher
1860	1 Ripley	A. Godwin	J. E. Rogers	S. R. Spight	W. E. Berry	Ambros Ray
1861	2 Beulah	A. Godwin	J. E. Rogers	S. R. Spight		
1865	3 Canaan	A. Godwin	J. E. Rogers	S. R. Spight		A. G. Parrott
1866	4 Union	M. P. Lowrey	J. E. Rogers	H. Garrett	J. M. McDonald	Ambros Ray
1867	5 Pleasant Hill (B)	Ambrose Ray	J. E. Rogers	H. Garrett	J. M. McDonald	A. G. Parrott
1868	6 Ripley	M. P. Lowrey	J. E. Rogers	H. Garrett	J. M. McDonald	A. G. Parrott
1869	7 Pleasant Hill (T)	M. P. Lowrey	J. E. Rogers	H. Garrett	J. M. McDonald	J. W. Johnson
1870	8 Unity	A. G. Parrott	J. E. Rogers	J. F. Guyton	J. M. McDonald	L. P. Cossitt
1871	9 Academy	A. G. Parrott	J. E. Rogers	J. F. Guyton	J. M. McDonald	A. G. Parrott
1872	10 Flat Rock	A. G. Parrott	N. S. Watson	J. F. Guyton	J. M. McDonald	M. P. Lowrey
1873	11 Harmony	A. G. Parrott	Thos. Spight	J. F. Guyton	J. M. McDonald	A. G. Parrott
1874	12 Beulah	A. G. Parrott	Thos. Spight	J. F. Guyton	Thos. Spight	J. W. Skinner
1875	13 Mt. Moriah	M. P. Lowrey	Thos. Spight	J. F. Guyton	Thos. Spight	J. D. Anderson
1876	14 Canaan	M. P. Lowrey	Thos. Spight	J. F. Guyton	L. Ball	M. P. Lowrey
1877	15 Chewalla	M. P. Lowrey	Thos. Spight	J. F. Guyton	L. Ball	L. Ball
1878	16 Fellowship	M. P. Lowrey	O. F. Ray	J. F. Guyton	L. Ball	L. P. Cossitt
1879	17 New Hope	M. P. Lowrey	O. F. Ray	J. F. Guyton	L. Ball	L. Ball
1880	18 Union	M. P. Lowrey	W. O. Rutherford	J. F. Guyton	L. Ball	W. E. Berry
1881	19 Blue Mountain	L. Ball	W. O. Rutherford	J. F. Guyton	W. E. Berry	L. T. Ray
1882	20 Ashland	M. P. Lowrey	W. O. Rutherford	J. F. Guyton	W. E. Berry	M. P. Lowrey
1883	21 Ripley	M. P. Lowrey	W. O. Rutherford	J. F. Guyton	W. E. Berry	H. M. Long
1884	22 Providence	M. P. Lowrey	W. O. Rutherford	J. F. Guyton	W. E. Berry	E. L. Wesson
1885	23 New Prospect	L. P. Cossitt	J. W. Crump	C. J. Frederick	W. E. Berry	J. E. Buchanan
1886	24 Clear Creek	L. P. Cossitt	J. W. Crump	C. J. Frederick	W. E. Berry	W. G. Thompson
1887	25 Bluff Springs	L. P. Cossitt	J. W. Crump	J. J. Guyton	W. E. Berry	J. H. Shackelford
1888	26 Canaan	W. G. Thompson	J. W. Crump	W. H. M. Durham	W. E. Berry	G. W. Floyd
1889	27 Beulah	W. G. Thompson	J. W. Crump	W. H. M. Durham	W. E. Berry	W. M. Gadd
1890	28 Fellowship	L. P. Cossitt	J. W. Crump	W. H. M. Durham	W. E. Berry	M. Gillean
1881	29 Oaklitter	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. S. Gillelline	W. E. Berry	W. T. Lowrey
1892	30 Falkner	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillen	W. E. Berry	J. N. McMillen
1893	31 Union	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillen	W. T. Lowrey	St. C. Lawrence
1894	32 Union	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillen	W. T. Lowrey	St. C. Lawrence
1895	33 Ripley	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillen	J. F. Guyton	J. N. McMillen
1896	34 Blue Mountain	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillen	J. F. Guyton	J. C. Swain
1897	35 Pleasant Hill (B)	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. Frank Ray	W. E. Berry	St. C. Lawrence
1898	36 Hickory Flat	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. Frank Ray	W. E. Berry	W. E. Berry
1899	37 Ashland	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. Frank Ray	W. E. Berry	M. Gillean
1900	38 Beulah	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. Frank Ray	W. E. Berry	S. R. Carter

1883/21	Ripley	M. P. Lowrey	W. O. Rutherford	J. F. Guyton	W. E. Berry	H. M. Long
1884/22	Providence	M. P. Lowrey	W. O. Rutherford	C. J. Frederick	W. E. Berry	E. L. Wesson
1885/23	New Prospect	L. P. Cossitt	J. W. Crump	C. J. Frederick	W. E. Berry	J. E. Buchanan
1886/24	Clear Creek	L. P. Cossitt	J. W. Crump	J. J. Guyton	W. E. Berry	W. G. Thompson
1887/25	Bluff Springs	L. P. Cossitt	J. W. Crump	W. H. M. Durham	W. E. Berry	J. H. Shackelford
1888/26	Canaan	W. G. Thompson	J. W. Crump	W. H. M. Durham	W. E. Berry	G. W. Floyd
1889/27	Beulah	W. G. Thompson	J. W. Crump	W. H. M. Durham	W. E. Berry	W. M. Gadd
1890/28	Fellowship	L. P. Cossitt	J. W. Crump	J. S. Gillentine	W. E. Berry	M. Gillean
1891/29	Oaklimiter	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. S. Gillentine	W. E. Berry	W. T. Lowrey
1892/30	Falkner	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillen	W. E. Berry	J. N. McMillen
1893/31	Union	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillen	W. T. Lowrey	St. C. Lawrence
1894/32	Ripley	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillen	J. F. Guyton	J. N. McMillen
1895/33	Blue Mountain	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. Frank Ray	J. F. Guyton	J. C. Swain
1896/34	Pleasant Hill (B)	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. Frank Ray	W. E. Berry	St. C. Lawrence
1897/35	Hickory Flat	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. Frank Ray	W. E. Berry	W. E. Berry
1898/36	Ashland	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. Frank Ray	W. E. Berry	M. Gillean
1899/37	Beulah	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. A. Norriss	J. R. Carter	S. R. Carter
1900/38	Providence	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. A. Norriss	W. E. Berry	W. E. Berry
1901/39	Mt. Mofiah	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. A. Norriss	J. R. Carter	J. A. Autry
1902/40	Pine Grove	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. A. Norriss	J. R. Carter	J. N. McMillen
1903/41	Academy	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. A. Norriss	J. L. Wilson	J. L. Wilson
1904/42	Flat Rock	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. A. Norriss	J. L. Wilson	J. N. McMillen
1905/43	Canaan	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	A. L. Collins	J. E. Buchanan	J. N. McMillen
1906/44	Fellowship	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. W. Gresham	J. E. Buchanan	J. E. Buchanan
1907/45	New Hope	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. P. Byrd	B. G. Lowrey	W. J. Epting
1908/46	Shady Grove	J. A. Autry	J. W. Crump	A. A. Graham	B. G. Lowrey	J. E. Epting
1909/47	Macedonia	J. A. Autry	J. W. Crump	A. A. Graham	B. G. Lowrey	F. J. Eubanks
1910/48	New Prospect	J. A. Autry	J. W. Crump	A. A. Graham	W. E. Berry	A. V. Rowe
1911/49	Hebron	H. L. Whitten	J. W. Crump	A. A. Graham	W. E. Berry	H. L. Whitten
1912/50	Mt. Hebron	H. L. Whitten	J. W. Crump	A. A. Graham	W. E. Berry	P. I. Lipsey
1913/51	Academy	H. L. Whitten	J. W. Crump	A. A. Graham	W. E. Berry	H. L. Whitten
1914/52	Mt. Olive	H. L. Whitten	J. W. Crump	A. A. Graham	J. A. Autry	W. B. May
1915/53	Ashland	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	A. A. Graham	J. A. Autry	G. S. Jenkins
1916/54	Ripley	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	A. A. Graham	J. A. Autry	J. A. Autry
1917/55		W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	A. A. Graham	J. A. Autry	

